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Hongkong, 12th February, 1909.

It is real trouble at the bottom of all, neither has been able to name a single item where it had been wronged by the other. It can hardly be said that Germany either has given assurances that her motives are of any higher inspiration; when asked by the other Powers to use her influence to induce one or the other of the irreconcilables to reason, or at least to state her desires, Germany has on each occasion shrugged her shoulders and announced her intention of allowing Austria to go her own gait without interference. Now if this proceeded from a genuine respect for the House of Austria, and could be taken as the homage of one wise man to another, however much we might cavil at its seeming weakness, we could hold it up to reprobation, but this explanation hardly comports with the indications of the case.

Germany is quite aware that one of the chief difficulties in the way of the Dual Monarchy is the attitude of the Slavonic peoples under its rule; Magyar and German peoples well understand one another, and both are fully conscious that any rupture of the common bond of self-interest which holds them together would mean the destruction of both. They can safely growl at one another betimes, secure in the reflection that after all self-interest is a stronger ground of union than sentiment; but with her Slavonic subjects the case is far otherwise. They have not risen to the sense of common interest, or common nationality, and to their minds, tickled with dreams of an impossible Pan-Slavism, every degradation to Austria seems a victory for the other. This is the ever present danger that the Dual Monarchy has to face, but to which she is momentarily quite oblivious. King Peter Karageorgevitch may to onlookers seem but flimsy stuff out of which to make a hero, but he is the best at the moment available. It is not a matter of everyday experience that a hero should come on the scene just when and how a people desires him, but the unwise policy of Austria is going far to make King Peter the hero of the day, and Germany by suggestion rather than by open advice is doing her best to blow up the bubble. Naturally none of the Powers care to tell Austria straight out the true position of affairs; two candid friends are apt to meet with unpleasant rebuffs when their advice becomes too particular; but Europe sees that a war rashly commenced between Austria and Serbia would not unlikely fan into a flame the general nascent antipathy between Teuton and Slav, and as each mutually interpenetrates districts where the other predominates, a wasteful and mutually destructive civil war could be the only logical result. An eventual war between Germany and Russia on racial grounds would be a thing of horror; untold; and would not imperiously destroy the boasted civilisation of Europe, or leave the road open to another Asiatic advance and with a view of these possibilities, the common sense of Europe has been striving to bring about a settlement in the Balkan States which offer some chance of permanence.

Every one engaged feels that, brought down to the level of common sense, there is positively nothing worth quarrelling about, yet false pride or silly sentiment interferes whenever matters are brought to a point; and unfortunately hitherto it has been the case that Austria has been in each instance the chief offender. Austria, of course, stands most to lose in the case of a conflict; and it is quite possible that feeling this to be the case she has become the more rigid in refusing all accommodation. Germany has probably more influence with the Imperial House of the Hapsburgs than all the other Governments in Europe, and there is little doubt that a word of caution, which from the other Powers would be looked upon as an impertinence, from Germany would be accepted in a friendly spirit. The word, however, does not come, but instead tirade about susceptibilities, and a hint that she does not like to place herself at cross purposes with her ally; consequently the atmosphere, which but a couple of weeks ago was uncloudedly brightening, since has been rendered more murky than ever, but the telegram we publish this morning happily gives the best promise we have yet had of a settlement of this protracted quarrel.

An advertisement reminds intending competitors that the entries for the V.R.C. Athletic meeting on April 10th close to-day.

One case of diphtheria (Chinese) and one case of smallpox (Indian) were reported in the colony during last week.

The plague return for the week ending 27th March gives a total of five cases, four of which proved fatal. This brings the number from January 1st up to 19 cases and 17 deaths.

Mr. Ho Kom Tong has been appointed a member of the Sanitary Board. He is a prominent Chinese citizen and has identified himself with all good works in the interest of the colony.

At the Magistracy yesterday Mr. J. H. Kemp sentenced a Chinese employee of Messrs. A. S. Watson and Co. to six weeks' imprisonment with hard labour for stealing three bottles of Lavender Water.

The Ward Comedy Company which is due in Hongkong shortly, has had such a successful season in Shanghai, that negotiations are being made with a view to their prolonging their stay in the northern port.

An interesting sale opens at Messrs. Hughes and Hough's sale rooms to-day when the public auction of pure Irish household linens, lace curtains, towels, etc., will be commenced. The catalogue gives copious details.

Before Mr. J. H. Kemp at the Magistracy yesterday a native who was arrested on a charge of Recreation Ground was charged with being armed with a knife with intent to commit a felony. He was found guilty, and sentenced to three months' imprisonment with hard labour.

Two small boys appeared before Mr. Hazeland at the Magistracy yesterday on a charge of hawking without a licence. Mr. Worship remarked that as whipping had proved no deterrent in the past he would impose a fine. Each of the defendants was fined \$5, or seven days' imprisonment.

A native who appeared before Mr. F. A. Hazeland at the Magistracy yesterday on a charge of returning from banishment told his Worship that he came back to the Colony to get some clothing he left behind. He was sentenced to six months' imprisonment and four hours' stocks.

The return of visitors to the City Hall Library and Museum for the week ending the 28th March, 1909, shows that of non-Chinese there were 429 to the Library and 284 to the Museum and of Chinese 254 to the former and 3,277 to the latter. The Library was, therefore, used by 683 persons and the Museum by 3,561.

The owners of two passenger boats were proceeded against before Commander Basil R. H. Taylor, R.N., at the Marine Magistrate's Court yesterday for allowing their boats to lie alongside Blake Pier when not embarking or disembarking passengers. On the evidence defendants were found guilty, and in each instance a fine of \$5 was imposed, the alternative being fourteen days' jail.

A telegram from Tsinanfu to the N.C. Daily News states that Sir J. H. Stewart Lockhart, Commissioner at Weihaiwei, who is paying a visit to H. E. Yuan Shu-han, Governor of Shantung, was entertained on the 29th inst. by the highest officials. Half a dozen foreigners were present. Sir Stewart Lockhart was accompanied by Mr. R. F. Johnston, the District Officer at Weihaiwei.

Our London Editor advises us that he has seen a copy of the large quarto volume, issued by J. Lloyd's Greater Britain Publishing Co., "Twentieth Century Impressions of Hongkong, Shanghai and the Treaty Ports" which will be delivered to subscribers shortly. The book is a very handsome one in every respect and subscribers will have every reason, he says, to be well satisfied. We hope to give a full notice when copies come to hand.

Messrs. W. G. Humphreys and Co., agents of the State Fire Insurance Company Limited, Liverpool, have received advice from the Head Office at Liverpool that their 1908 account shows as follows:—Trading Surplus £29,850.—including interest £35,178; and a dividend of 7½ per cent, is recommended as against 5 per cent for 1907. These figures show that there has been a very substantial improvement over the year 1907 and the result should be extremely gratifying to policy-holders.

We hear that Mr. Chaloner Grenville Alabaster barrister-at-law, son of the late Sir Chaloner Alabaster, British Consul-General in Canton, has resigned the Secretaryship of the China Association. He was to be married on the 27th February, and to sail on the 13th March for Hongkong in the P. & O. steamer *Somali*. He intends practising at the Bar in the Colony. Mr. Harold Chatterton Wilcox (formerly partner in Messrs. Turner & Co., Hongkong), has been appointed Acting Secretary to the China Association in London.

The Kowloon Bowling Green Club held its annual meeting at the Club House yesterday afternoon. Mr. W. Russell was elected president. There was an equal number of votes for Mr. D. G. Dow and Mr. D. Parry as vice-presidents and the chairman (Mr. S. W. Robertson) gave his casting vote in favour of Mr. G. W. The other office bearers elected were: Mr. T. Bannan, hon. secretary, Mr. E. L. Hughes, hon. treasurer, and Messrs. D. Harvey, P. Nye, T. Petrie, G. L. Duncan, Davidson, A. J. Milroy, and J. Managh, committees.

Mr. F. A. Hazeland presided over the small Court at the Magistracy yesterday. Inspector Robertson placed a native before him for snatching a pocket handkerchief from a woman at West Point. His Worship convicted the defendant on a charge of disorderly conduct and imposed a fine of \$25, the alternative being six weeks' imprisonment. Another native appeared before the same Magistrate charged with spitting on the jacket of a female. On the evidence his Worship held the offence proved, remarked that the practice was an abominable one, and fined the defendant \$50 or two months' hard labour. He also warned the offender that if he appeared before him again on a similar offence he would get the full penalty, six months' imprisonment.

TELEGRAMS.

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DAILY PRESS."]

THE BALKANS.

LONDON, March 28th.

A telegram from Belgrade states that the Skupshina has accepted without discussion the renunciation of the Crown Prince and the proclamation of the Prince Alexander as heir to the Throne.

The Russian Press continues to publish bitter attacks on Russian diplomacy and rumours are current of the impending resignation of M. Isvolsky, the Minister for Foreign Affairs.

LONDON, March 29th.

It is announced at Vienna that the Austrian Government has accepted Sir Edward Grey's modified proposals regarding the working of the Servian note of submission.

An agreement has also been reached with a view to the recognition by the Powers of the annexation of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

A MILITARY SENSATION AT MALTA.

LONDON, March 28th.

Reuter's correspondent at Malta states that an inquiry will be opened at Malta after the return of the Duke of Connaught into the system of smuggling opium hashish from Austria via Malta into Egypt as military stores.

Several arrests of non-commissioned officers and soldiers have been made, and it is stated that an officer is implicated.

AN ARMY CAUSE CELEBRE.

LONDON, March 29th.

Lieutenant Woods, late of the 2nd Grenadier Guards, is claiming £75,000 in an action for wrongful dismissal.

[An enquiry was held in Chelsea barracks on the 19th November, 1907 to investigate complaints made by Lieutenant Woods regarding alleged unjust treatment in certain garrisons in December last, and writs were served on Mr. Haldane, General Lytton, and others, then members of the Army Council, on the ground that they exceeded their powers in requiring the officer's resignation.]

[FROM THE "CHUNG NGOI SAN PO."]

UNEXPLORED ISLANDS.

PEKING, March 29th.

The Peking Government intends to send officers to examine all the islands near the Provinces of Fukien and Kwantung to ascertain whether they are fit for cultivation, with the object of encouraging settlement there.

CHINESE ON THE RAND.

PEKING, March 29th.

The Board of Foreign Affairs is consulting with the British Minister, Sir John Jordan, regarding the ill-treatment of Chinese coolies in South Africa.

RAILWAYS IN CHINA.

PEKING, March 29th.

The Board of Communications reports that during last year the Peking-Fentien Railway made a profit of Taels 3,800,000; the Peking-Hankow Railway made a profit of Taels 3,100,000; and the Pingchiu Railway made a profit of Taels 1,000,000.

The To Ching Railway lost Taels 300,000; the Chingtai Railway lost Taels 600; and the Shanghai-Ningpo Railway lost Taels 900.

The bronze statue of the Princess of Wales, executed by Mr. Geo. E. Wade, to the order of Mr. H. N. Moyle, has been brought to Hongkong in the P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Nubia* which arrived on Saturday. We learn from a London correspondent who saw it before it was packed that the statue is an excellent likeness of Her Royal Highness, and is the first statue cast of the Princess.

CABLE STATION LOOTED.

TELEPHONE SERVICE INTERRUPTED.

A story of the extraordinary impudence of the Chinese thief was told to the Hungghom Police on Sunday. On the night in question a number of natives entered the cable station near the Docks where the four cables belonging respectively to the Military Authorities, the Colonial Government, the Eastern Telegraph Co. and the Telephone Co. are landed. They cut off pieces of the cables and removed certain apparatus which entailed the interruption of the different services. After packing up all the brass and lead in the shed the thieves apparently sat down for a rest after their exertions. A looking on duty in the vicinity, happening to pass the station at the time, noticed that the door was open, and on looking in saw by the dim light a native smoking a cigarette. His question as to what the man was doing there caused a stampede, and the thieves dashing for the door. The constable held on to one man, and he will probably be charged shortly. The telephone service to Kowloon was interrupted all day yesterday and though the Telephone Company was able to effect temporary repairs to their cable it will probably be a week before the mischief done is completely repaired.

ARMED ROBBERY ON THE RAILWAY.

On Sunday night the police received a telephone message from Cheungshui, a border village near Samchean, reporting a "hold up" of the police employed on the Canton section of the line. The report, made by Mr. Fraser, the district engineer on the Chinese section, stated that on the night of the 27th instant the railway police were attacked by a band of about eight or nine armed robbers. The police at the time were returning from the village of Lilong, about eleven miles distant, where they had carried a sum of money. Two of the constabulary were wounded, and two were relieved of their rifles. The Police at Cheungshui believe that the robbers have crossed into British territory, but investigations in the territory will be considerably hampered by reason of the fact that the men attacked can give no description of any of the robbers.

THE PRATAS.

Interest in these hitherto practically unknown islands is by no means abated, though it is tolerably certain that the differences between China and Japan will be amicably settled. The island on which Japanese have been settled for some eighteen months is about 170 miles south east of Hongkong. It is barely two miles long and about three-quarters of a mile broad, rises about forty feet above water and is really nothing more than a sandy bed on a foundation of coral. Coral is found all round the lagoon and the approaches to the island, which have not been surveyed for about forty or fifty years are dangerous to navigation. When the Chinese cruiser *Kanpan* proceeded there with Commodore Lin and Captain Wu, it was discovered that there were about 150 Japanese on the island. They had made a track across the island, had lighters at work, and also had a steam launch. The Japanese were apparently finding their undertaking very remunerative.

INTERPORT SPORT.

We understand that the Swatow sportsmen are practising hard to give the visiting team from Hongkong good games at football and cricket and possibly also at tennis. Mr. H. Donaldson, the captain of the Swatow football eleven, is in Hongkong at present, and when seen by our representative as to the prospects of the Easter meeting between the interports teams, modestly expressed the opinion that Swatow would be satisfied if they managed to secure a draw at football, while they hoped to do well at cricket, especially as the Swatow contingent includes three Australian cricketers who are quite in their element when they are in fannels. In fact they are the mainstay of the team. The visitors may also anticipate some keen rubbers at tennis. The men from Hongkong may rely upon having a good time at the hands of their Swatow hosts.

THE BURNS-JOHNSON FIGHT.

An old story was renewed at the City Hall last night when the fight for the World's Championship was again fought on cinematograph film. There was a good attendance, and the frequent applause testified to the appreciation of the audience. The pictures thrown on the screen were excellent, there being scarcely a flicker to mar their worth. From the training grounds of both competitors the audience were carried to the scene outside the Stadium at Sydney. The next view was inside, showing the arena, and the first four rounds of the combat. Reading and witnessing an event are two different things, and this fact will be readily admitted by those who followed the great fight on the cinematograph films last night. Six of the rounds were missed, but the fight was renewed in the eleventh and continued until the fourteenth, the round which proved so disastrous to the white man and saw a coloured man claim the championship of the world for the first time in history.

In addition to the main feature of the programme other amusing films were shown, and the applause of the audience was ample testimony of their appreciation. Most present, however, would have preferred to see the fight through-out, and would have willingly dispensed with the outside films produced.

How to BE BEAUTIFUL.—Keep your complexion, Mrs. Ellen's Crème Chamoisade, Laid Charmant and Special Skin Tonic and Poudre Charmant will enable you to do it. Her Specialties for the Skin are the study of a lifetime. A. S. Watson & Co. Ltd. Sole Agents.

THE HONGKONG PERJURY CASE.

COMMITTAL ORDER RESCINDED.

Yesterday's mail brought a report of the judgment given by the Judicial Committee in the case of the seven Chinese men who appealed to the King in Council from an order made by the Chief Justice of Hongkong (Sir Francis Piggott), committing them to prison for three months for contempt of court and perjury, contrary to an ordinance of the Colony. They were witnesses in a bankruptcy suit, in which the question at issue was whether one, Wong Ka Chuen, was a partner in the debtor firm or not. They gave evidence that he was. The jury found that he was not. After the verdict the Chief Justice called the appellants before him and addressed them through an interpreter in the following terms, to my mind being guilty of the most flagrant conspiracy to defraud the alleged partner. They have each one been guilty of the most corrupt perjury, and in virtue of the provisions of the law which empowers me to deal at once with such cases, I commit each of them to prison for three months without hard labour.

That order was subsequently confirmed by the Chief Justice himself and Mr. Justice Wise sitting in the Supreme Court. The appellants, after serving their days' imprisonment, were released on bail pending this appeal.

Lord Collins, in giving their lordships' judgment said that while they thought the language used by the Chief Justice was sufficiently specific to make the appellants aware of the charge made against them, they considered the Chief Justice should before sentencing them have given them an opportunity of adducing reasons against summary measures being taken. The giving of such an opportunity was essential in cases of committal for contempt of court, which was a criminal offence and a *fortiori* in cases of perjury. Their lordships would advise His Majesty to reverse the judgments of the Supreme Court and Chief Justice Piggott and to rescind the committal order. There would be no order as to costs.

Mr. E. H. Sharp, K.C. (Hongkong), and Mr. Macdonald (instructed by Messrs. Langlois and Co.) appeared for the appellants.

The case was argued before Lord Atkinson, Lord Collins, Mr. Andrew Scott, and Sir Arthur Wilson.

RIVAL CLAIMS TO A FEEFAGE.

ROMANCE OF A DANCER'S SON.

The legal struggle has been recommenced before the Madrid Assize Court between the two claimants to the estates, titles, and privileges of Lord Sackville, the well-known diplomatist, who died in September last.

The two claimants are Mr. Lionel Edward Sackville-West, nephew of Lord Sackville, and Mr. Ernest Henri Jean Baptiste West, the eldest son of Lord Sackville and a Spanish dancer. The points which the court has to consider are, according to a Reuter telegram from Madrid, as follows:

Lord Sackville lived for several years with a pretty Spanish ballet-girl named Josephine Egips, whom he always passed as his lawful wife, and by whom he had three sons and three daughters. These he recognized and declared legitimate.

The whole interest of the case resides in what purports to be a contract of marriage prior to the cohabitation of Josephine Duran with Lord Sackville, according to which contract Josephine Duran was wedded to a Spanish dancer named Gabriel Oliva, which would render null and void the declaration of the legitimacy of the issue of Josephine Duran and Lord Sackville.

The contract, the existence of which is pleaded by Mr. Lionel Edward Sackville-West, nephew of the late Peer, as establishing his right to succeed to the title, was preserved in the Church of San Millan, formerly San Gayetano, in Madrid, where the alleged marriage of Josephine Duran and Gabriel Oliva took place on January 10, 1851.

Copies of the contract were delivered for the use of consuls in the case in 1896 and in 1900, but none of these copies made any mention of signatures and inscriptions which were subsequently, in 1901, discovered on the marriage registers in the course of an inquiry.

The Madrid court will have to pronounce as to the validity or nullity of the document. Over a hundred witnesses, including five handwriting experts, have been cited by the contending parties.

The proceedings, telegraphs a Madrid correspondent, are expected to last at least six days. Mr. Lionel Sackville-West's counsel, the correspondent adds, maintain that the marriage contract is authentic and contains three men—Ephron, Sanchez, and Anton—of having made the error which throw doubt upon it. They demand that the three men be sentenced to eight years' imprisonment and a fine of £20 each.

The case was mentioned in the English law courts last year, when Mr. Ernest West, whose legitimacy is in issue, asked for the appointment of a receiver of the splendid Sackville estates at Bevernocks pending the result of his claim. Mr. Lionel Edward Sackville-West was the defendant.

The appeal for a receiver was refused. Counsel stated during the case that the gross rent of the estates was over £7,000 a year and that there were valuable heirlooms; and that the Duke of Saxe-Coburg-Gotha, the Prince Consort's brother, had been the claimant's godfather.

It was also stated that the claimant was sent to school in France in 1877, and that in 1881 Lord Sackville entered him as his son at Stonyhurst College, in Lancashire.

INDIAN EMIGRATION TO THE CROWN COLONIES.

The Secretary of State for the Colonies, with the concurrence of the Secretary of State for India, has nominated a committee to consider—

(a) The general question of emigration from India to the Crown Colonies.

(b) The particular Colonies in which Indian immigration may be most usefully encouraged.

(c) The general advantages to be reaped in each case.

(1) by India itself.

(2) by each particular Colony.

The committee will be composed as follows:—The Lord Sanderson, G.C.B., K.C.M.G., I.S.O. (chairman);

The Lord Sandhurst, P.C., G.C.S.I., G.C.I.E.; Sir George Scott Robertson, K.C.S.I., M.P.; Sir James John Digges La Touche, K.C.S.I., Member of the Council of India;

Hugh Bertrand Cox, Esq., C. Assistant Under-Secretary of State, Colonial Office;

Walter William Ashley, Esq., of the Indian Civil Service; and

Walter Devonshire Ellis, Esq., of the Colonial Office.

Mr. Reginald Herbert Griffin, of the Colonial Office, will act as secretary.

The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, MARCH 30TH 1909.

Few people in Europe will be found to eulogise as a type of wisdom or political sagacity King Peter of Servia, or his precious son and heir Prince Grouz. Almost as few will be found to land the political insight of the Archduke FERDINAND of Ester, who has been trying his prentice hand in guiding the destinies of Austria, while with regard to the Imperial Minister, Baron von Aehrenthal he has been sailing as close to the wind as was possible in the case of a minister high in the confidence of his Sovereign. However in the end affairs may turn out, it is at least certain that the four between them have been keeping Europe in a state of flurry and excitement during the last six months; yet for what cause neither themselves nor any one else have been able to show any justification whatever. Austria and Servia have been in fact, for the last six or eight months engaged in a game of growing and showing their teeth at one another across the River Danube; yet when either has been asked the foundation of all the excitement, and a civil request made to formulate

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March 5th

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR THE BENEFIT OF
WORKMEN.

the habit of devoting to the promotion of the well-being of their workpeople. The K. and Laura Hütte for instance, last year paid M.3,700,000 for the purpose, which together with M.900,000 paid for taxes, comes to about 54 per cent. of the net profit for the twelve months. The Bochumer Verein distributed during the same period 49.90 per cent. to state insurance funds, M.200,000 to various institutions for the benefit of their operatives and M. 600,000 in making M.1,700,000 altogether, which is equal to 37 per cent. of the net profits and 10 per cent. of the dividend declared. Dortmunder Union has paid M.300,000 for taxes and M.1,000,000 to the state insurance funds, a total of M.1,300,000 being 37 per cent. of the net profits and 10 per cent. of the dividend.

THE ACCIDENT TO THE S.S.
"KUTSANG."

THE CAPTAIN EXONERATED

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KING ALFONSO'S REGRET.

"I have rarely been so bitterly disappointed in my life," King Alfonso said to the representative of the Times "as I was now was compelled by a definite promise to accompany Mr. Wright in an aeroplane. Had I not torn myself away from the battlefield I should not have been able to resist temptation." Up to the last minute he yielded to the King's attendants that he should be allowed to make an ascent. "For years I held the record as the youthful Sovereign, but I have now been beaten by Manuel of Portugal and the young Emperor of China. I had hoped to-day to establish another record by being the first Sovereign to fly; but, alas! it has been denied me," he remarked in the course of general conversation with Mr. Orville Wright.

A SINGAPORE CASE BEFORE THE
PRIVY COUNCIL.

pended upon the fact that he was creating the offence. In many cases connected with the revenue certain things were prohibited unless done by certain persons or under certain conditions. Unless the person who did those things could establish that he was one of the privileged class, or that one of the privileged class had been fulfilled, the prescribed condition had been fulfilled would be adjudged guilty of the offence without in fact he knew nothing of the prohibition. By this ordinance every person other than the opium farmer was prohibited from

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PROTECTION SOUGHT AGAINST COOLIES.

In Java, at present, contracts between employers and labourers rest upon an established system of advances and upon the willingness of the labourers to work out the amount advanced. Generally speaking, the labourers do not abuse this privilege, but the exceptions are many as to justify the cry for a Labour Ordinance. There are no labour unions in Java, but the labourers take very good care of themselves and can easily defend themselves against capitalist oppression. Should employers keep wages low the labourers will stay away altogether. Should the employers exact long hours of labour, the labourers can simply stop work and walk off. Living is so cheap there that the wages question is of no high importance to the labourers. They can live on very little and can snap their fingers at the employers.

In view of the special attention which is taken in the movement of goods and treasure at the same time, the Acting Inspector General, the *N. C. Daily News* says, has approved of certain information being given in advance of the publication of the annual returns. The first set of tables contains the figures of the total amount of treasure, in gold and silver of all classes, and of copper coin, passing between China and foreign countries during 1932. For foreign countries are divided into the American, European and Asiatic, and again is sub-divided into the British, the Japanese, and the other great totals in all respects, the figures being of course, in Haikwan Taels.

The importation of copper is omitted for convenience, from the above tables. Two districts only sent copper coin to China in 1908, namely Hongkong and Macao, Hk. Tls. 1,850; and Korea, Hk. Tls. 56. These figures are included in the grand totals, respectively, as given above. There was no copper exportation from China.

	EXPORTS.		GRAND TOTAL.
	GOLD.	SILVER.	
Europe	11,246,158	1961,554	13,207,712
America	4,116	59,865	63,981
Patamona	—	45,140	45,140
India including Burma	—	1,005,338	1,005,338
Dutch India.	—	12,171	12,171
Straits Settlements	25,095	342,594	367,689
Saigon and Tonking	—	3,477	5,335
Siam	—	503,709	503,709
Hongkong and Macao	374,289	26,427,350	26,801,639
Manila	06,430	—	400,000
Japan including Formosa	959,789	1,345,242	2,305,031
Korea	21,323	499,241	520,564
Vladivostok	—	179,706	179,706
Total	13,042,010	32,363,518	45,405,528

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SHANGHAI AND HONGKEW WHARF
CO., LTD.

On the proposition of Mr. P. CRIGHTON, and seconded by Mr. F. de St. CROIX, the Board of Directors were unanimously re-elected.

Messrs. G. B. Wingrove and H. W. G. Hayte were re-elected auditors on the motion of Mr. ELIAS, seconded by Mr. MICHAEL.

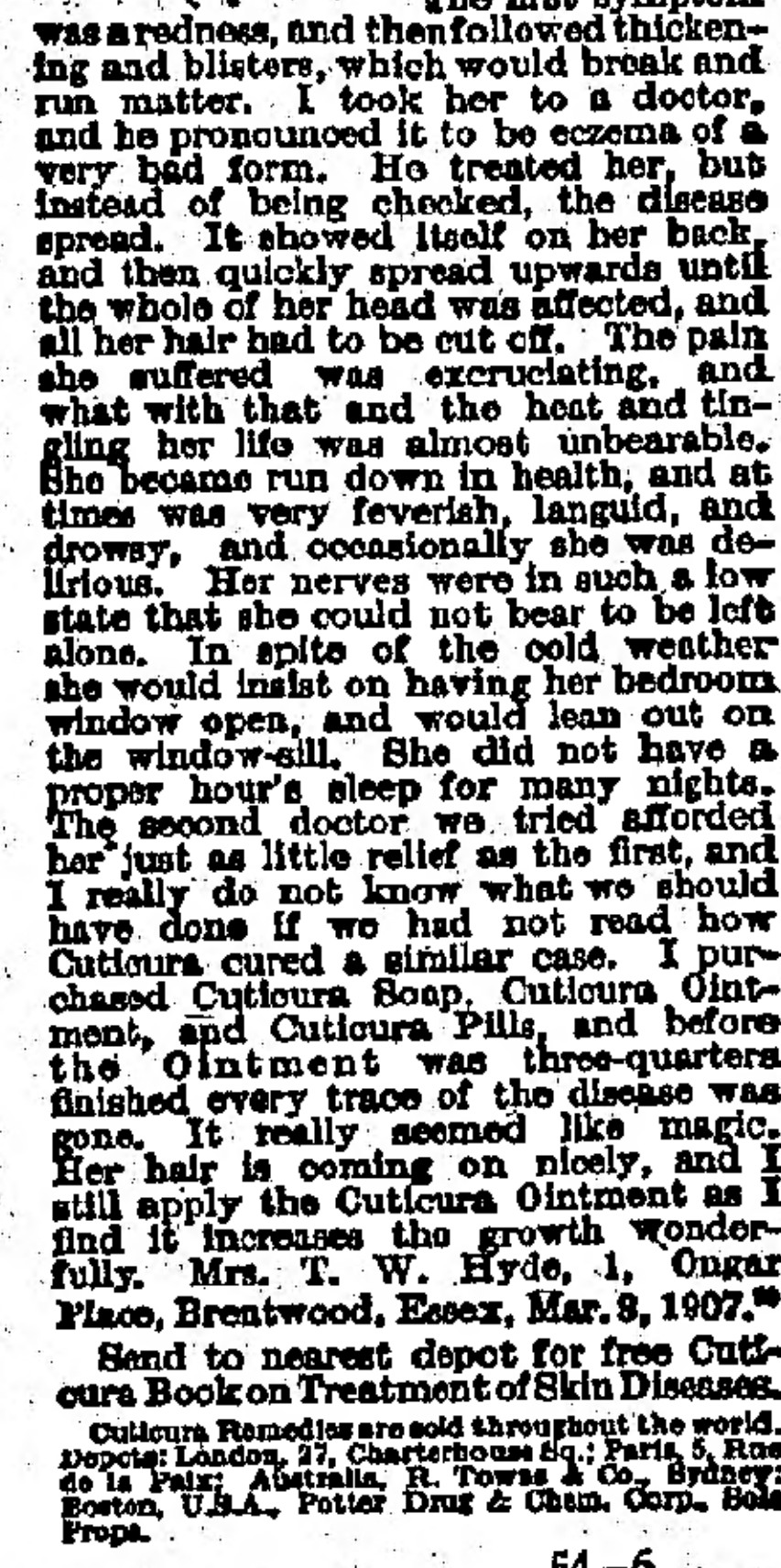
The CHAIRMAN:—That is all the business and I thank you for your attendance. The dividend warrants will be sent out at once.

SHANGHAI GAS COMPANY LIMITED

To pay a final dividend for the year 1908 on 24,000 shares at 6 per cent. (making 13 per cent. for the year), Tls. 3.00 per share Tls. 72,000.

Co. 1. **RESIDUALS.**—The Market for the Company's residuals has been satisfactory and, apart from the coke, of which a largely increased quantity

CURE BY CUTICURA SEEMED LIKE MAGIC



FINANCER. Early in the year the Directors decided to provide the funds necessary for the payment of balance of cost of the New Plant, by the issue of further Loan Capital in preference to increasing the Share Capital. To enable this to be done it was necessary to consolidate the whole of the Debenture Issues of the Company, and steps to effect this were taken. It was decided to create a new issue of 1,250,000. Debentures of not more than Tls. 2,500 each, of which, in the meantime Tls. 400,000 should be applied to the redemption of existing issues, and a further amount, not exceeding Tls. 400,000 should be issued as required. Practically all the holders of existing debentures have agreed to accept the new debentures in place of those now held by them, and of the residue a considerable portion has already been placed.

2,500 MILES UP THE AMAZON.

The British cruiser *Pelorus*, a vessel of 2,135 tons, is at the present moment almost in the centre of the South American continent. Having called at St. Helena by the cruiser *Pandora* on November 8 the *Pelorus* left for South America, arriving at Rio de Janeiro on November 17. After calling at various ports the *Pelorus* arrived at Para, at the mouth of the Amazon, on January 10, and made a stay there of nine days. The cruiser then left for Manaus, a flourishing city, situated 1,000 miles up the Amazon river, arriving there on January 24. *Pelorus* must be considered a remarkably good performer. The latest news which has been received is that the vessel left on February 1 for Iquitos. The latter place is in Peru, and is only about 600 miles from the Pacific seaboard, while it is nearly 1,500 miles from the Amazon river, is, of course, well known to the Amazon navigators by canoe, but for 2,500 miles of the voyage no one anticipated that a fairly large war vessel would be able to make the voyage. The *Pelorus* is commanded by Captain A. Craig.

left Colombo on the 26th inst. p.m., and is expected here on or about Thursday, the prox.

NOTICE.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

NOTICE.

\$150,000 to Invest on Mortgage: Send Particulars of Securities offered to "H".

Care of "Daily Press" Office. Hongkong, 30th March, 1909. [537]

VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB.

ATHLETIC MEETING, APRIL 10TH. Intending Competitors are reminded that Entries for the above CLOSE TO MORROW (WEDNESDAY), 31st inst. Hongkong, 30th March, 1909. [538]

FOR SHANGHAI.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamer

"DEVANHA"

Capt. W. Hayward, R.N.R., will leave for the above places on THURSDAY, the 1st April, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 29th March, 1909. [1]

FOR SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND MOJI.

THE Steamship

"JAPAN"

Captain J. G. Oliphant, will be despatched for the above Ports on TUESDAY, the 6th April at Noon.

This Steamer has superior accommodation for passengers, is installed throughout with Electric Light and carries a duly certified doctor.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DAVID SASSOON & Co., Ltd., Agents.

Hongkong, 29th March, 1909. [539]

S.S. "ERNEST SIMONS"

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from London ex s.s. "Matapan" from Havre ex s.s. "V. de Lorient" in connection with above Steamer are hereby informed that their goods with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables are being landed and stored at their risks into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., at Kowloon whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees before 11 A.M., TO-DAY, requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned. Goods remaining unclaimed after MONDAY, the 5th April, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All claims must be sent in to me on or before the 5th April, or they will not be recognized. All damaged packages will be examined on MONDAY, the 5th April, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

P. DE CHAMFORDIN, Agent.

Hongkong, 29th March, 1909. [2]

THE HONGKONG WEEKLY PRESS & CHINA OVERLAND TRADE REPORT

is now ready and contains:

Epitome of the Week's News.

Leading Articles:

British Politics

Free Trade between America and the Philippines

New Light on Parthian History.

The Game of Boggar-My-Neighbour.

Japan's Alleged Seizure of Pratas.

The Chinaman as an Engineer.

Anglo-Siamese Treaty.

Random Reflections.

Hongkong News.

Japanese Government and the Pratas Islands.

Canton News.

Supreme Court.

Correspondence:

Ministering Children's League.

Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce.

French Convent School Prize Distribution.

European and his Train Fare.

China's Service of Loans and Revenue.

Renaming Hongkong Streets.

Piracy at Castle Peak.

Puina Judgement of Hongkong.

Flogging of Criminals in Hongkong.

Lord and Lady Meth in Hongkong.

Hongkong University Scheme.

Marriage at the Cathedral—Forsyth-Moir.

Property Sale at Canton.

Prospective Rival at Macao.

Hongkong Regatta.

Gigantic Fraud.

Probable Reduction of Chinese in the Philippines.

Death of Mr. Theodore Spindel.

Company Reports:

Yokohama Specie Bank Limited.

Green Island Cement Company, Ltd.

China-Borneo Company, Limited.

PUBLIC COMPANIES

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT CO., LTD.

THE TWENTY-SEVENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of Shareholders in the Company will be held in the Office of the General Managers, St. George's Building, Victoria, SATURDAY, the 3rd day of April, 1909, at 11.30 o'clock a.m. for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the year ending 31st December, 1908, declaring a Dividend and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, 27th March, until SATURDAY, 3rd April, 1909, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., General Managers. [512]

THE CHINA & MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LTD.

THE TWENTY-SIXTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders in the above Company will be held at the Company's Office, St. George's Building, 6, Connaught Road, Victoria, on SATURDAY, the 3rd April, 1909, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the year ending 31st December, 1908, and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, the 31st March to SATURDAY, the 3rd April, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., General Managers. [513]

THE CHINA-BORNEO COMPANY, LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE SIXTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company will be held at the Company's Office, St. George's Building, at Noon, on MONDAY, the 5th April, 1909, to receive a Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1908, and the Report of the General Manager and Consulting Committee and to elect a Consulting Committee and Auditor.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 22nd March to the 5th day April, both days inclusive.

J. WHEELEY, General Manager. [483]

THE YANGTZE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE NINETEENTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the above Association will be held at the Head Office No. 25, The Bund, Shanghai, on FRIDAY, the 16th April, 1909, at 4.30 o'clock p.m. precisely for presentation of the Report of the Directors and the Accounts to the 31st December, 1908, the Election of Directors and Auditors for the current year, and for the purpose of transacting any other business which may be transacted at an Ordinary General Meeting.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Association will be CLOSED from the 9th to the 15th April, 1909, both days inclusive.

Members holding proxies for absent Shareholders must deposit same with the Secretary for registration at least forty-eight hours before the Meeting.

By Order of the Board of Directors, W. S. JACKSON, Secretary. [514]

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTY-SIXTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Society will be held at its Head Office No. 2, Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, on WEDNESDAY, the 21st April, 1909, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with the Statements of Accounts to 31st December, 1908, and of declaring Dividends, etc.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Society will be CLOSED from 11th April to the 21st April, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board, C. MONTAGUE EDE, Secretary. [517]

THE CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FORTY-THIRD ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the HEAD OFFICE, No. 2, Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, on WEDNESDAY, the 21st April, 1909, at 12.30 p.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, together with Statements of Accounts to the 31st December, 1908, and of declaring Dividends.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 7th April to the 21st April, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors, C. MONTAGUE EDE, Secretary. [526]

NOTICE.

IN Conformity with Article III. of the General Regulations of the CHINESE PILOTAGE SERVICE, a Board of Appointment will hold a Competitive Examination at the HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE, Canton, at 10 A.M., 2nd April, 1909, to fill One Vacancy for a PILOT in the Canton Pilotage Service.

Only those who have served an Apprenticeship are eligible for appointment.

FRANK HARRIS, Acting Deputy Coast Inspector and Harbour Master.

Custom House, Harbour Master's Office.

Approved: PAUL H. KING, Commissioner of Customs.

Canton, 26th March, 1909. [531]

HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, LTD.

NOTICE.

IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that on and after This Date, the Selling Price of Ice, will be Reduced to HALF A CENT per pound.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd., General Managers.

Hongkong Ice Company, Ltd.

Hongkong, 11th March, 1909. [461]

ENTERTAINMENT

THEATRE ROYAL.

COMING

APRIL 1ST

SHORT SEASON ONLY.

ROYAL ENTERTAINERS

AN AGGREGATION OF ALL STAR ARTISTS

FIRST NIGHT

HILARIOUS MUSICAL COMEDY,

"BEHIND THE SCENES."

SECOND BILL

MUSICAL MASTERPIECE,

"FILIBUSTER BROWN."

THIRD NIGHT

"THE MAIDS & A CADDIE."

BOOKING AT

S. MOUTRIE & Co., Ltd.

PRICES - - \$3, \$2 & \$1.

Hongkong, 29th March, 1909. [532]

INTIMATIONS

HONGKONG CLUB.

NOTICE.

THE FIFTEENTH DRAWING of SIXTY-FIVE DEBENTURES of the Hongkong Club (1896 issue—\$100 each) was held in the Hongkong Club House, on FRIDAY, the 19th March, 1909, when the following Debentures were drawn for Redemption:

33	358	763	1180	1492
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Hongkong, 1st April, 1909.

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BUTTER.

"Buttercup" Brand ... 75 cents per lb.
"Dairymaid" ... 75 " "
"Daisy" ... 80 " "
Also
Fine Pastry Butter ... 60 " "
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AUTHORISED CAPITAL ... £1,500,000
SUBSCRIBED ... 1,125,000
PAID-UP ... 562,000
RESERVE FUND ... £210,000

BANKERS:

LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LIMITED.

INTEREST allowed on Current Accounts at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the Daily balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS:

For 12 months ... 4 per cent.
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EVAN ORRISTON, Manager. [23]

Hongkong, 23rd April 1908.

THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK LIMITED.

CAPITAL PAID-UP ... Yen 24,000,000
RESERVE FUND ... 15,500,000

HEAD OFFICE—YOKOHAMA.

BRANCHES AND AGEN

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

NOTICE

\$150,000 to Invest on Mortgage: Send Particulars of Securities offered to H.

Care of "Daily Press" Office.
Hongkong, 30th March, 1909. [537]

VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB

ATHLETIC MEETING, APRIL 10TH.
Intending Competitors are reminded that Entries for the above CLOSE TO MORROW (WEDNESDAY), 31st inst.
Hongkong, 30th March, 1909. [538]

FOR SHANGHAI

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamer

"DEVANHA"

Capt. W. Hayward, R.N.M., will leave for the above places on THURSDAY, the 1st April, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, 29th March, 1909. [1]

THE Steamship

"JAPAN."
Captain J. G. Olfert, will be despatched for the above Ports on TUESDAY, the 6th April at Noon.

This Steamer has superior accommodation for passengers, is installed throughout with Electric Light and carries a duly certified doctor.

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Agents.
Hongkong, 29th March, 1909. [539]

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COMPAGNIE DES MESSEAGERIES MARITIMES

NOTICE

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from London ex s.s. "Matapan" from Havre ex s.s. "Y de Lorient" in connection with above Steamer are hereby informed that their goods with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables are being landed and stored at their risks into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., at Kowloon whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees before 11 A.M. TO-DAY, requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned. Goods remaining unclaimed after MONDAY, the 5th April, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All claims must be sent in to me on or before the 5th April, or they will not be recognized. All damaged packages will be examined on MONDAY, the 5th April, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.
P. DE CHAMPORIN,
Agent.
Hongkong, 29th March, 1909. [2]

THE HONGKONG WEEKLY PRESS & CHINA OVERLAND TRADE REPORT

is now ready and contains—

Epitomes of the Week's News.

Leading Articles:

British Politics.

Free Trade between America and the Philippines.

New Light on Partisan History.

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Japan's Alleged Seizure of Pratas.

The Chinaman as an Engineer.

Anglo-Siamese Treaty.

Random Reflections.

Hongkong News.

Japanese Government and the Pratas Islands.

Canton News.

Supreme Court.

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Ministering Children's League.

Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce.

French Convent School Prize Distribution.

European and his Train Fare.

China's Service of Loans and Revenue.

Renaming Hongkong Streets.

Piracy at Castle Peak.

Prize Judgement of Hongkong.

Plotting of Criminals in Hongkong.

Lord and Lady Meath in Hongkong.

Hongkong University Scheme.

Marriage at the Cathedral—Forsyth-Moir.

Prospective Rival at Macao.

Hongkong Regatta.

Gigantic Fraud.

Probable Reduction of Chinese in the Philippines.

Death of Mr. Theodore Speidel.

Company Reports:

Yokohama Specie Bank Limited.

Green Island Cement Company, Ltd.

China-Borneo Company, Limited.

Union Insurance Society of Canton, Ltd.

China Traders Insurance Company, Ltd.

PUBLIC COMPANIES

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT CO., LTD.

THE TWENTIETH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of Shareholders in the Company will be held in the Office of the General Manager, St. George's Building, Victoria, SATURDAY, the 3rd day of April, 1909, at 11.30 o'clock A.M. for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Manager for the year ending 31st December, 1908, declaring a Dividend and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, 27th March until SATURDAY, 3rd April, 1909, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 23rd March, 1909. [512]

THE CHINA & MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LTD.

THE SIXTY-SIXTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders in the Company will be held at the Company's Office, St. George's Building, 6, Connaught Road, Victoria, on SATURDAY, the 3rd April, 1909, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Manager for the year ending 31st December, 1908, and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

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THE CHINA-BORNEO COMPANY, LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 22nd March to the 5th day April, both days inclusive.

J. WHEBLEY,
General Manager.
Hongkong, 13th March, 1909. [483]

THE YANGTZE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION LIMITED

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

THE NINETEENTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the above Association will be held at the Head Office No. 26, The Bund, Shanghai, on FRIDAY, the 16th April, 1909, at 4.30 o'clock P.M. precisely for presentation of the Report of the Directors and the Accounts to the 31st December, 1908, the Election of Directors and Auditors for the current year, and for the purpose of transacting any other business which may be transacted at an Ordinary General Meeting.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Association will be CLOSED from the 9th to the 16th April, 1909, both days inclusive.

Members holding proxies for absent Shareholders must deposit same with the Secretary for registration at least forty-eight hours before the Meeting.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
W. S. JACKSON,
Secretary.
Shanghai, 17th March, 1909. [514]

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTY-SIXTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Society will be held at its Head Office No. 2, Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, on WEDNESDAY, the 24th April, 1909, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with the Statements of Account to 31st December, 1908, and of declaring Dividends, etc.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Society will be CLOSED from 11th April, to the 21st April, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
C. MONTAGUE EDE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 25th March, 1909. [517]

THE CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

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Hongkong, 27th March, 1909. [526]

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Only those who have served an Apprenticeship are eligible for appointment.

FRANK HARRIS,
Acting Deputy Coast Inspector and Harbour Master.

Custom House,
Harbour Master's Office.

Approved:
PAUL H. KING,
Commissioner of Customs.
Canton, 26th March, 1909. [531]

HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, LTD.

IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED

that on and after this Date, the Selling Price of Ice, will be Reduced to HALF A CENT per pound.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.,
General Managers,
Hongkong Ice Company, Ltd.,
Hongkong, 11th March, 1909. [451]

ENTERTAINMENT

THEATRE ROYAL

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SHORT SEASON ONLY.

ROYAL ENTERTAINERS

AN AGGREGATION OF
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FIRST NIGHT

HILARIOUS MUSICAL COMEDY,
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"THE MAIDS & A CADDLE."

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TO LET—FURNISHED.

"FUNG-SHUI" THE PEAK. To be let furnished for 8 months or longer.
Apply—
JOHNSON, STOKES & MASTER,
Solicitors,
8, Des Voeux Road Central.
Hongkong, 2nd March, 1909. [110]

TO LET.

NOS. 2 & 3, BEACONSFIELD ARCADE, facing the Parade Ground.
No. 4, MOUNTAIN VIEW (PEAK), furnished from 1st June to 30th September, 1909.
TERNSIDE No. 71, PEAK Unfurnished from 1st May, 1909.
A 6-ROOMED HOUSE furnished or unfurnished at the Peak.
GLENSHIEL next to Plantation Road, Tram Station. Furnished 5 Rooms, for 5 months or longer from 5th May, 1909.
C.M.S. PEAK BUNGALOW, furnished, Mount Kellett, from 1st April to end of June, 1909.
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DWELLING ROOMS and OFFICES in Queen's Road Central.
GODOWNS in Duddell Street.
BELLIOS TERRACE HOUSES, ROBINSON ROAD.
FOR SALE—TOR CREST, at Peak, commanding a magnificent view of the Harbour and adjacent islands.
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Hongkong, 23rd March, 1909. [100]

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"ERANEE BUNGALOW," Kowloon. A Small Garden attached. Moderate Rental.
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45, Wyndham Street.
Hongkong, 3rd March, 1909. [399]

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OFFICES and ROOMS on the 1st and 2nd Floors of No. 14, Des Voeux Road Central (formerly occupied by Messrs. SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.) Rents Low.
Apply to—
THE COMPTON DEPARTMENT,
E. D. SABSON & CO.,
Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, 25th February, 1909. [105]

TO LET.

GODOWN, No. 5A, DUDDELL STREET.
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THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LD.
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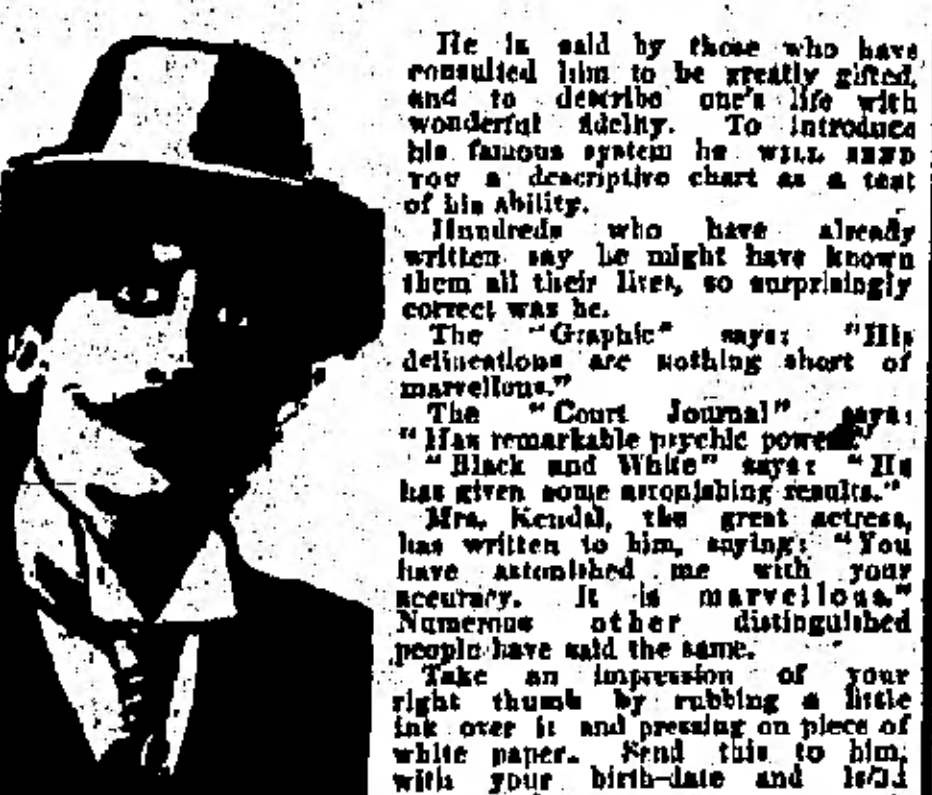
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GRIDIRON BANQUET.

AMERICA'S NEW CRAZE—ALL FUN AND FEW SPEECHES.

Like the Marathon craze, "Gridiron dinners" are extending throughout the United States. They originated at Washington, where statesmen, legislators, diplomats, and others, without respect of person or estate, have been ruthlessly "gridironed," roasted, "joshed," as the Americans say, or ragged, as an Englishman might put it, by their banqueting fellow-countrymen. American public men, from the President to the village mayor, know what gridironing means. It is a feature of their official life which necessarily accompanies their salaries.

Now the American gridiron dinner has been reduced to a fine art, with the accompaniment of music, stage effects, appropriate costumery, pantomime dialogue, mostly ironical, and such doggerel verse as the average reporter can reel off by the yard. I have attended half a dozen of these gridiron dinners lately. Their buffoonery, their apparent lack of respect for institutions and persons, their seeming heartless treatment of the most distinguished guests, from President Roosevelt down to a mere Congressman, at first appal one's English susceptibilities, but you rapidly become inured. Now, after six months' training, I believe that the gridiron dinners have come to stay in America, and I even venture a further prediction that within three years gridiron dinners will become equally popular in England. They are open to criticism unless properly managed, but they are certainly devoid of the paralyzing formality, ponderous speeches, and well-worn platitudes of the public dinner considered as a European institution.

Gridiron banquets, to quote Mr. Roosevelt who has himself been "joshed" more than any other living man, "do good to victim and victim alike; they contribute towards the national fund of humour which is the salt of our public life, and one taken occasionally, provided the patient is not a hopeless misanthrope, is good for mind and body."

AMEN BROTHERHOOD.
I am prompted to these reflections by the gridiron dinner in New York which I attended last night, together with six hundred other guests, chiefly politicians, financiers, and professional men. It was called the "Amen Dinner," because it was arranged under the auspices of an organization, chiefly political, but partly social, called the "Amen Corner." Mr. Root, American Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a personal friend of President Roosevelt, was the guest of honour, and Mr. Root, despite the fun, songs, jokes, hits, and stories at his foibles, nevertheless enjoyed himself, as he assured me subsequently, immensely. It is the thinned-down man, apparently, who do not appreciate this latest American invention, and American public life speedily eliminates that class from its ranks.

There were four hours of American fun, and enough topical songs to make a man a Drury Lane pantomime. The chairman sat upon a throne at the end of the hall-room, and instead of a hammer rang a big cowbell. The first clang summoned a queer-crowd of presidents and governors, senators, kings, and emperors, Greek philosophers, sly secret service men, helping newsboys, and sharp-tongued citizens, who "joshed" tenor-elect Root. They included Senator Dewey, Boss Murphy, of Tammany Hall, Senator Pat McCarran, Thomas Ryan, the famous Irish-American, and a host of other campaign managers and Postmaster-General-elect, and scores of folk who have a finger in politics, finance, and letters. Frequently the chairman clanged his cowbell, whose lovely note was the signal for a succession of burlesques, travesties, Oriental dances, monologues, solos, choruses, one-act skits, which had been very carefully rehearsed (and a hedge-podge of imitations which caricatured ably the performances of some of the best-known American comedians and politicians).

Brother Schell, disguised as a reporter, convulsed the guests by a running-fire comment on those in attendance. After a savage attack upon the oysters, a staid brother arose to offer a resolution that Amen Corner called upon all patriotic citizens to express their thanks for their survival during the last seven years of President Roosevelt's government by standing with bowed heads, relieved from all occupation, for a period of five minutes at twelve o'clock, noon, on March 4, when Mr. Taft would be inaugurated. The resolution was adopted with a roar of "Ayes."

PRESIDENTIAL VOCABULARY.

The Chairman rang his cowbell and demanded that all present specifically named in recent Presidential Messages to Congress should rise. Up sprang a brother and announced that he was an "undesirable citizen." He was told there was no place for him at the dinner, and he roared like a cannon. He was permitted to call the roll of the President's Ananias Club, and various brethren, disguised as frayed and tattered parts of speech, arose and answered "Here." They were all there—the liar, the short and ugly word, the mulefactor of great wealth, the scoundrel, the muckraker, the soft body and the hard face, the weakling and the mollycoddle, the libeller, the scoundrel, the perverter of the truth, and the nation's traitor, and they stood and shook in their shoes all save a short, ugly, thick-set brother, who scowled and sneered theatrically. It is surprising what a lot of names Mr. Roosevelt has called certain of his compatriots in the last few years, and all responded at the banquet.

In a "Conference of the Powers," Brother Gilroy, made up as President Roosevelt, swagged on the platform waving his arms and flashing his teeth. Bill Brady, as the Mikado of Japan, taunted the President and threatened to take the Panama Canal away from him. Brother Smith as King Edward, and Brother Hatch—they are all styled "brethren" at gridiron dinners—as the German Emperor had an earnest talk together, and then shook hands publicly. Later the Conference of the Powers voted a resolution declaring King Edward a free and acceptable member of the Amen Club, because he "worked to promote the world's peace."

SALOME'S REQUEST.

Four fat brethren done up in calico Mother Hubbards, with necklaces of glass diamonds, and bare feet, danced into the room and writhed before the president's rostrum. They were recognised as Salome Barnes, Salome Parsons, Salome Aldridge, and Salome Woodruff. The president gave a quick imitation of Herod. Their wriggling, twisting and contorting were interrupted by Herod, who asked sharply what the dickens they wanted. They yelled with one voice that they desired "the head of Charles the Pure." Charles the Pure, by the way, is the nickname of Mr. Hughes, Governor of the State of New York, who secured the abolition of horse-racing and gambling in this State. Herod reached under his table and tossed them a paper macho head adorned with a set of whiskers. They fought for it among themselves, Salome Barnes grabbing it finally, and then they stampeded.

Serious papers in New York devote columns to the fun of the gridiron banquets and a paragraph to the speeches. The New York Sun, for example, an essentially staid, business-like, and respectable organ, thinks last night's gridiron affair was most interesting modern development, and gives it four columns on that ground. Others are just as liberal. Some even reproduce the verses sung by the Amen brotherhood. They were pretty poor generally. Here is a sample of a poetical allusion to Mr. Roosevelt, sung to the tune of "Give us a drink, bartender."

Then give us a rest, dear Teddy,
Don't you see we're tired of noise.
You know they've turned off your limelight,
Tricky,
To give Billy Taft a show.

Apart from the execrable verse it was one of the most joyous, irresponsible, successful banquets ever held in America, and will help to spread the gridiron cult.—London Daily Telegraph Correspondent.

THE PROPOSED INTERNATIONAL GOLD COIN.

[BY MONTGOMERY GADD.]

The temporary lull in the competition for our Empire gold is artificial, and must not be allowed to deceive us—the demand will return with increased superficial force, when least expected. Therefore, as a people suffering from arbitrary monetary laws, we should seriously consider how, in the future, the vast money metal wealth of the British Empire can be conserved, as any appreciation in the price of gold, should it become permanent, will most assuredly destroy the standard value of the British one pound sterling, a coin honoured the world over, and this coin might find itself relegated to the melting-pot for its enhanced value, if the authorities allow gold to advance price, and if these gold coins, otherwise we may experience the same vagaries with gold as with silver if the gold standard of this country cannot be maintained.

The money metals of the Universe, gold and silver, were selected by the philosopher of old as a medium of stable exchange between man and man, nation and nation; but modern Statecraft, actuated by Mammonism, disturbed this Union; since which time, Trading communities, Capital and Labour have been antagonistic to each other, and until these metals are placed in a different category to other commodities, evolutions, unrest and unemployed will continue under every form of Government.

The world is now practically on a gold basis, and there it must remain if values are to be upheld, but as silver in many parts of the Globe cannot be dispensed with, and looking at our vast silver wealth as a valuable Empire asset, it becomes necessary in the interests of Canada and Australia to place this metal on a solid commercial basis consistent with the Standard, that is to say, the constituent parts of silver should be equivalent to gold and thus make the English florin or half dollar in value the sixth part of the British one pound sterling; therefore the cardinal point to be considered is, can silver as a fluctuating commodity be kept as such, and yet perform the functions of sound hand to hand money in concert with gold for silver using countries, and for the arts and sciences? The reply is Yes, if operated at the market price of the day—that being the equivalent of gold, consequently the question arises, is such a re-union of the money metals possible, without ill-metallism or a double standard? And again the answer comes Yes, when prejudice against the white metal ceases to exist.

The Committee appointed at the Bankers' Conference, held at the Cardiff Chamber of Commerce, to study and report how the gold reserves of this country could be increased and safeguarded, should at this opportune time, while the National Monetary Commission are in Council at Washington, take into consideration the far-reaching proposition of the Financial Section of State for an International gold coin, represented by gold certificates. The suggestion of this eminent statesman for an international gold coin, if operated from London and New York through a Union of money metal producing countries, go to the root of Tariff Reform and Reciprocity Measures, for without such a standard, both measures are politically impossible. An International gold coin would practically become the propelling factor in inter-state trade and commerce, and the dominating power in peace and war, if the money metals were under control.

The Committee, Dominions, Dependencies, and British Colonies, might through Great Britain, be invited to join with the Governments on the Continent of America through the Treasury Department at Washington, in order to husband, safeguard and control the money metals and exchanges of the World. And a Conference with the Financial Secretary of the United States Government might lead to the most powerful money metal combination ever conceived by man, and would undoubtedly lead to important National and International results, and these results would prove highly beneficial to the 500,000,000 of people.

The return, the Cardiff Committee should devise means whereby the Honourable George B. Cortley could be invited to this country to demonstrate in detail the policy put forward on this highly important subject, viz., an International gold coin represented by interchangeable gold certificates. And then with equal justice there might follow an International silver coin represented by interchangeable silver certificates to take the place of the disjointed silver currency throughout the world, or the Committee appointed by the Cardiff Chamber of Commerce, might in the interest of the Empire, pay a visit to the Financial Secretary of State at Washington with a desire to co-operate in this colossal international movement. And this visit should be made before the Advisory Committee of the National Monetary Commission make their final report to the President, for England cannot afford to allow our Empire gold to be taken away by non-producing gold countries, except through the ordinary channel of interest-bearing gold loans.

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HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE, Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 25th March, 1909. [523]

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Hongkong, 26th March, 1909. [5]

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BOMBAY via SINGAPORE, and COLOMBO	YAWATA MARU	5539	FRIDAY, 14th May, at Noon
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